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MEMORANDUM TO: TALENT Control Officer, CIA

THROUGH : TALENT Control Officer, DD/I

SUBJECT : Request for authorization of TALENT cleared positions for personnel assigned to an OCI special duty roster.

1. Authorization is requested for the establishment of TALENT cleared positions for personnel assigned to an OCI special duty roster.

2. A special roster of senior intelligence officers has been set up in OCI (a) to provide personnel on duty to make recommendations to the AD/CI or to make decisions for him in the off duty hours on matters as may arise in connection with CIA Watch Office operations, OCI publications, and/or other activities and (b) to carry out various general functions in direct support of the AD/CI during regular duty hours. The latter functions include those of the Indications Control Officer, of the Secretary to the IAC Panel supporting publication of the Central Intelligence Bulletin, and of the OCI staff officer providing support to the Director's NSC briefing and performing other Headquarters and overseas current intelligence support functions.

3. There are to be six persons permanently assigned to the special roster and a number, as yet undecided, of alternates. The regularly assigned personnel rotate through both the off-hours watch and the regular hours functions. The alternates fill in as required. Therefore, each individual on the roster requires all of the clearances appropriate to the various functions assigned. Two of the six positions incorporate functions authorized for TALENT clearance. The Indications Control Officer position (held by [redacted] is a TALENT cleared position. The job of Secretary of the IAC Panel is held by the individual cleared for TALENT as Senior Intelligence Officer of the Free World Staff (W. N. Elder). At present, only the establishment of four new TALENT cleared positions is requested.

4. Four of the five individuals now permanently assigned hold TALENT clearances. Therefore, only the name of [redacted] is forwarded for TALENT clearance. [redacted] has SI clearance.

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5. Requests for TALENT clearances to fill positions vacated by personnel assigned to the special roster will be the subject of separate memoranda. The positions involved in such requests would be IO, China-Asian Satellite Division (Knoche) and Chief Economic Advisory Group [redacted]. The Senior Intelligence Officer of the Sino-Soviet Bloc Area (R. Lehman) and the Scientific Liaison Officer (F. Voigt) are functioning as alternates.

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6. The Acting Assistant Director, Current Intelligence certifies that the MUST KNOW principle is being observed in connection with this request.

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